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Dear Attorney Hesse,

I would like to contribute my opinion during the public comment period for the draft settlement in the Microsoft antitrust case. I support the settlement as a much-needed end to this drawn out court case. Microsoft has hurt neither its competitors nor the consumers with its actions. In fact their products, which continually improve at affordable prices, are a great benefit to small businesses such as my own.

The Justice Department must have more important things to do in this day and age, and I'm sure the millions spent on prosecution can be better spent elsewhere. There is a recession going on in this country, and we need companies like Microsoft to be focused on creating jobs and wealth in order to bounce back.

I hope the Judge sees the wisdom in the settlement offer, and that this opportunity to get things back on the right track is not missed.

Thank you for entertaining my opinion on this case.

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Very truly yours,